# Riches, Love, Speed and Rum as Component Elements of "Joy Riding"

The First Two of These Constituents May Be Sometimes Fliminated, Says an Observer, but the Latter Pair Manage Many a Perilous Excursion from "Gasolene Alley" to Some Road House.

instrument of pleasure than as a labor- grow apace, too. gring device. Perhaps this is a transi-

antomobile robbed the bicycle of its have to watch them like lynxes." histre, the human race is expected to "He didn't intend that as a compliment commit extravagances in its name.

THE era of the "joy ride" is not yet for flesh increases with each extra tug on the wane, the motor wise as- of the little giant throbbing under the sert, and they point to the un- seats, with each extra gulp of the burndoubted truth that the automobile is ing liquor and each extra mile of winddoubled dendered and used more as an blown flight. Other uniovely appetites

tory phase, as it was with the bicycle plained a Long Island motor innkeeper, and the telephone, and it may be not the "are those containing one woman and horse of the "gentry," but the horse "in several men. The woman is always that is doomed. Consider the capable of keeping her companions entertained, and she holds her court in a in the mean time, and until the new- harmless and clever or silly fastion, as ness of this mechanical toy is dimmed the case may be. But when the numby that of the aeroplane, just as the ber of men and women are equal, we

to the delicacy of the motor influence or psychologists have been to the moral inspiration of joy riding. known to intimate, whether produced by And the limit is reached only when riches, love, speed or rum, is a species of frenzy fades into stupor. The nearer the intexication. It presupposes a complete border line between frenzy and stupor (on





It's the Party of "Would-Be-Considered-Wealthy" Automobile Roysterers at Night That Produces for the Proprietor of the Motor Inn by the Wayside the Goodliest Sum in Profits. dining room and confide their wants to that just at present he's cutting a pretty obsequious waiters. These supply them important figure in the gay world of his as they would at a hotel downtown and own imagination with all this attention. tring in a bill made up from the prices So of course he falls over himself ex-

printed on the menu Then, perhaps, if it is not midsummer gested would suit him to a tee. and the size of the bill and the tip has When finally, triumphant, he goes back infused a distinct air of cordiality into to the dining room to his party, some the atmosphere, the party will linger for member of which may have been along another bottle or so in the huge living with him all this time to kindle his room, where the open log fire snaps and pride, the excellent "Louis" intimates hisses a welcome. It is here that, if he that a bottle of Chateau Lafitte, 1874, of feels inclined after close scrutiny, and Corton, 1878, or of Moet & Chandon, the rush of business is not too absorbing, 1884, would do justice to the viands. mine host will come to pass a pleasant Again there is complete concurrence, for word with his new guests. Before they reputations must be maintained. These go he will have invited them to sample tare vintages, by the way, retail at from a choice vintage, maybe, or to smoke a \$15 to \$30 a pint. precious brand of cigar. He may even show them his icebox and kitchen.

#### THE FINAL OBEISANCE.

Usually, however, this last mark of relege of calling his host Louis or Jack to "Louis," the bank note eater, and by rehis face. A large, bare room on the left flection to his hypnotized guest. icebox. Like a great square tank the pagans knows so well, the really fashof the entrance to the inn shelters the latter lies flat on the floor by the windows, while beside it the cellar stairs their food and drink. The prices are lead down to other and still greater mys- gauged there by the appearance of the

fly into the bar, which opens off this calculate the cost. room in a hollow square. There the bartender, who dresses like and resembles a young collegian, even to the dropstem dress suit after 6 p. m., is a matter of pipe, will mix him a cocktail-such a personal not prescribed, taste as yet. So cocktail! And then, when this has insin- "Louis," in deference to popular demand, uated itself into his veins, imagine his furnishes a price list both before and being led gently over to the big square

This is divided horizontally into two ice tanks, whose lids lift up like trapdoors. Resting on the crushed ice in one

plaining that the culinary treatment sug-

#### MENTION OF PRICE TABOOED.

The beauty about the whole course of treatment is that the mention of price has been tabooed. The idea that a cosmopolitan gentleman of untold means a subsequent visit, when he of the pursestrings may acquire the coveted privi-

In Europe, as the aristocracy of motor party and its stage of inebriation, vinous First, however, let the spider take his and social. The bourgeoisle alone ever

printed figure, like the presence of the after the operation, but the favored few he can lift above the consideration of such vulgar details, and from them, by the process described above, extract a lump sum painlessly.

And as with the stomach pump habit, the victim returns for more. Once he has made friends with the ice box, the printed menu issues its appeal in vain. Even at 4 o'clock of a summer's morning, when the gray dawn is wont to discourage extravagance, the initiated

### AN EARLY MORNING VISIT.

"Louis" tells with some pride of a visitation at that hour. The party numbered six. They found the door locked, and after pounding on it and honking the horn of their chariot in vain one of the three young women among the besiegers was boosted into the window beside the ice box. She climbed in and took a header down the cellar stairs, bursting the door open at the foot and landing with a crash on the cement floor.

"Was she hurt? No. She was in no condition to be hurt. She got up laughing. But her tumble woke us up, and the chef put his tuxedo on over his pajamas and served the whole bunch."

The establishment certainly does not lack a fund of unconventional good nature. And "Louis" himself is far from being a mercenary snob. His best paying guests are snobs of the most materialistic sort, and he must cater to them while in his heart, very probably, he despises them. But he is a friend to the man who makes no pretensions, and if such a one has the temerity to approach his inn on foot he receives him politely and respects his limitations.

He can afford to do this, though the presence of too many pedestrians would ruin his trade, because a goodly percentage of his motor guests provide sufficient discouragement in their unconcealed contempt for such newcomers. To the true "joy rider" the pedestrian is the most insignificant of the human specles-too small to be seen on the road, too poor to be allowed to eat in the same

A diplomat in this country recalls a rebuke which he heard the aged Emperor of Austria administer to a snobbish noble

equals, I would find companions only among the dead Hapsburgs."

forgetfulness for the time of the mortalty of man and the other hardships of motor inn, experts agree. That is, the this vale of tears. The pure joy ride, inn must be far enough away from Long often produced by riches, love, speed and Acre Square and "Gasolene Alley," the rum combined, assumes the dignity of a greatest rendezvous of joy riders in the mania, ending frequently in the com- world, to let speed and rum hold sway plete disembodiment of the spirit (not a while; but it must not be so distant that an excess of lubricant renders its of course there are gradations varying guests helpless by the time they reach with the permutations and combinations it, or prevents those who would from of the constituent parts. Since chauf- arriving through breakdown or smashfeurs and kitchen maids, clerks and shop up. girls are such common offenders, it has been inferred that riches is the least imacts like a bellows on a smouldering It is well, too, to nestle near enough; not only in the annals of motoring but to the city to cater to the taxicab trade. in those of coaching as well, remarked The touring car has been dubbed the The taxicab companies make special with regard to the personnel of his king of joy riding vehicles, because in rates to certain motor inns, and every guests: the first place it is open to the cool summer day and evening their little "Oh, yes, Alfred Vanderbilt is a fretight air; it is capable also of holding vehicles are as busy as ants distributing quent visitor here when he is in town. the maximum party, with a tonneau for their gay parties. Of course, the taxicab So are the rest of his crowd. But we the girls, whose little screams of ex- arrival can hardly be considered as plu- couldn't keep open for them. Our best are the fish, some lobsters and crabs-a bilaration always egg on the driver, and tocratic a possibility as he who comes customers, and fortunately there are bit numb to be sure-and turtles and room. then, too, it has room for its own cold in a private machine. The other guests, plenty of them, are those who want us other delicacles of the deep. In the

pertant concomitant of the excursion of esstasy. Of the other three, love, speed and runt, love probably plays the minimum role. It makes a difference, too, speed and rum seem indispensable. These two, then, have been located at the bottom of the conspiracy which fills

the profits of the motor inns, which shortens the average life of the touring car and thereby enriches the manufactwer. Speed encourages thirst, and the satisfaction of a thirst brings the craving for more speed.

Nature obviously did not intend man for projection through space at the rate of forty miles an hour. The rush of keen air lightens his brain; it chills his body. He craves mentally and physcally the liquor stimulus. And when he has drunk, the hurricane in his face

portion of the fair sex which quaffs its coin than the motorist.

sterage plant and miniature bar. Yet already immersed in champagne and to think they travel in the same class the bar is not such an indispensable con- smeared with lobster and the trophies as the Vanderbilts and the others." venience after all. The subtleties of of the chase, let him feel, if he is in a For the hour or two they spend at the When or a well mixed drink are not sensitive and receptive mood (a rare innit is the aim of such masqueraders to greatly in demand by either sex when state), the tolerance with which they re- live at the rate of \$100,000 a year by disthe telegraph poles along the way are gard his intrusion. But the innkeeper tributing a month's income. The profushing past like a high board fence, knows that from a nervous desire to prietor is anxious, of course, to encour-

Then it is that little flasks are pulled assert his equality the taxicabist will age the illusion that such a pace is only from the hip pocket or the muff-that spend probably more of his burdensome natural among persons of such evident style and negligent dash. His is a cun-

on the latter's first visit. He can judge flow his way, but he is anxious always to Perhaps he would like it so and so, trated gulps are taken to save time. speeders—the craving to be considered. As the well known friend of bona fide pretty accurately from the appearance test his judgment before committing with a dash of such and such? Then this Such treatment transforms men and rich. The proprietor of a caravansary plutocrats it would be beneath his dig-Women into carnivora. The appetite on the upper end of Manhattan, famous nity to grasp the imitation to his bosom dom with which the golden stream will the guests file into the big, conventional hero knows only that he wants it, and richest part of it.

victim pick out what he wants. He does-or rather he doesn't, for he wants who had lamented the scarcity, in Vienna, it all-and then he follows the flesh of of personages exalted enough in rank to be his choice into the vast kitchen, in whose cultivated as his acquaintances. glowing depths a wizard in white presides over open coal fires-fires that peror, "in such anxious search for blood beckon like forges in a forest.

other lie steaks and game and chops in

high relief. "Louis" suggests that his

"Were I like you, sir," replied the Em-

The cream of society is not always the

### In Fame's Spotlight

"It's only Uncle Shelby Cullom, making creign State of Tennessee. has for the new kid," says the reading. From the cap and gown to the toga in low becomes the battleground of a seething terk, nodding toward the clock room, seven and a half years! Never before has mob, and the police work hard to keep the

him thirty-two on Wednesday next. After his distinguished ancester she placed ranking of our young man. his feet upon the Congressward path which The convention has been called to nomi-

Presidents, and no less.

asks the years later his wish came true. He was wildly gesticulating figures, whose voices sident, sniffing suspiciously, elected United States Senator by the sov- rise above the babel of dissenting tones

Shence have a series of southing our history recorded such a feat of jump- stage from being carried by storm.

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But let's look at the Senate's new kid But we are outrunning our story. Young Leas law sningle had been be young lion of the Patterson forces, seizes how is Tennessee he had two young first splash into fame as delegate to the it and boldly usurps the functions of pre-Conics. John Overton, who became his law Nashville convention of May, 1905, the noisi-Partner, and Luke Les, who became one est and most dramatic political gathering. It is enough for the Patterson men. Seethis colonels in the Florida wars. Both ever held within the bounds of the old ing their self-constituted leader with gavel of these men were great-grandfathers of a Volunteer State. And it was the subject of in hand, they take him up and place him stood Labe.

12 and the year was 1879, which will make Let us recall the events of that exciting

Lat same forehear had trod three genera-nate a Democratic Governor, and is split up other down while yelling commands, but Bots back, for the first Luke Lea had sat into Cox and Patterson factions. Chairman friend "Old Hi-kory" was sitting in the counties on a vote for temporary chairman, is outvoiced. The convention adjourns h the House of Representatives while his Pro Tem. Abstractly orders a rollicall of thend role of the state of and all goes well until the clerk yells "Da-So our Lake Lea's mother was determined vidson!" from which county two sets of But history should repeat itself. And mod- delegates bob up, each voting against the the mother she was. All of the others in other. Pandemonium at once breaks out, the land the land have destined their sons to be delegates with flushed faces demanding the recording of one faction's vote and then

tot a more Representative. Bke his great- Mounting the platform in one bound, this When the Tennessee Legislature met last he huntled through school at such speed man, and with excited shouls and loud January to elect a successor to Senator the upper house of Congress.

The was able to be speed man, and with excited shouls and loud Overton, the "regulars" felt assured that He is said to be the younger. The was able to land his B. A from the thumps upon the table challenges the the was able to land his B. A from the thumps upon the table challenges to your the young insurgent safely elected to the Senate, which may be little than the country of the south the country of University of the South when only nineteen. right of the Cox delegates to vote. Then, they mad the young insurgent safely elected to the Senate, which may be little summer of the cox delegates to vote. Then, blocked, but when the legislators started erally true Is the summer of 1900 he carried off his before the chairman has recovered from his blocked, but when the legislators started erally true

pulling off another pure law degree. And only seven and a half astonishment, the platform is crowded with

Coochie, coochie, coo! 'Ats psychic current of optimism, maternal and the chairman lays it down and advances to But no sooner has he dropped his symbol Young Lea's law shingle had been out of authority than the gray giant, the

Record Luke Lea, of Nashchile, who is thus our little discourse who started the noise, a Jacksonian Democrat on both sides of the family. Loke Lea, M. was born on April 12, and the year was 15% which will make Upon the day his mother named him

Let us recall the events of that exciting by a bodyguard of Cox delegates, while a day his mother named him The two presiding officers try to cry each

Luke Lea, the giant in gray, finds a megasession the young man's faction carries the day and the election of Malcolm Rice Patterson is assured. Les was then twenty-seven. A year after

Mother Les bolleved that if she wished the others. The Chairman Abernathy he thus became known as "the an who had enough to made Patterson" he broke away from that but her son Luke went her one better in delegates.

The Chairman Abernathy made Patterson" he broke away from that governor affiliated himself with the Prohibit her son Luke went her one better in delegates. and selected as fits editor the ill-starred they seem nice when you read about them, I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel anything the feel anything but nice when you I am also to the double fly. Any man who but they feel an



Senator from Tennessee.

and twenty days old, and the Constitution want them to do good service. When I cannot hook a trout on a single hook is not proud and cold like! They'll hardly When the Tennessee Legislature met last says that no man under thirty shall sit in reach the subject of bait rods I shall have worthy to go fishing with me. For heaven's speak to you as they take your slop."

## & What I Know of Fish and Fishing &

III-REELS, LINES, LEADERS AND a great deal of respect for the fish. I am ing goods dealers, being, after all, only

evenly in their grooves, seeing that there the "sleezy," loosely woven line and of the are no bowed places. If there are any frayed places in the wrapping I keep the sounds' relief to the same warning is "good" if the feathers are frayed and faded. While in reality the color of a fly does not have a fact in mind and upon reaching home or pounds' weight test is the proper thing for great deal to do with its killing properties, varnish is marred I touch that place with fresh varnish. Before laying the rod away to the layer the days writes himself lessness. camp immediately repair them. If the fly casting for trout or bass. olled cloth. By taking a little pains you may make your rod last for several years. Neglecting to care for it may subject you to the chagrin of having it break on you at a time when a great deal depends upon its

Reels-Next in importance to buying the od comes the buying of a reel. Reels, like watches, are matters of individual choice. Where one man swears by the automatic another would not have one as a gift, and in emergencies. of that class am I. My choice of reel is limited. For fly casting, a well balanced home for a two days' recers young Lea set out for a round-up, with the result that he was elected Sameter by the set of t instrument holding sixty yards of ordinary was elected Senator by a majority of two to last a life time. I would conjure you to avoid the freak reels of every description; attract the fish.

Lines-The successful anger must have his alley! Do most of your fishing with a Nobody knows what is worn in heaven, something more to say about reels. a good line. You may possibly be able to No. 18, with an s or 6 for the big boys.

assuming that you are going for game fish, human, have a habit of working off old and if my memory serves me right the stock on the man who does not know. In joint with an oiled rag and lay the joints youd your rod tip. This is equally true of back and produce another.

for the winter I wrap it loosely in a slightly down a novice. Sefect good, clear sinew, free from flaws and of an even size, and from it tie your own leaders, graduating them according to your needs-single, short leaders for small, brushy streams; longer singles, with two or three loops, for larger streams, and doubles for lake or river work. The knowledge of how to tie leaders is easily learned and is invaluable to the

> about tying your own flies, but it is a fact the town doing this work, clad in high that the average man never becomes ex- collars, patent leather shoes, kid gloves

FTER you get your rod take care of average game fish is pretty wise in his day consequence, the angler may find himself it. I have no patience with the and generation. He has to be hoodwinked several miles from nowhere with a book A it I have no patience with the and generation. He has become full of rotten files that pull off every time man who dismounts his red after a into taking the lure, and it will become full of rotten files that pull off every time man who dismounts his red after a first you have tried it that a fish strikes one of them. Take each fly day's fishing, jams it into its case and never quite evident, after you have tried it, that a fish strikes one of them. Take each fly looks at it again until he next goes fish- you can't hoodwink him with a line that separately, hold the hook in one hand, the ing. If he finds it bent out of shape and hits the water like a piece of rope. Nor, snell in the other, then give a sharp pull; looking generally disreputable he need not can you cast with such a line. It will re- if the snell pulls out of the shank, look the be surprised. After each day in the stream | fuse to respond to the impetus given it by dealer squarely in the eye and smile. If the smount my rod, carefully wipe off each, the motion of the rod and will fall just be-

NO WONDER.

John Mitchell, at a dinner in New Rochelle, was talking about strikers and strike breakers.

"Once," he said, "the garbage collectors in a small Western town struck for angler. I carry an extra supply of sinew higher pay. While the strike was on the in my leader box, already dampened for use municipal employes—the cashiers and clerks-were called on to perform the Flies-There is a certain amount of fun collectors' work. As they went about

but the expression of surprise there is catch fish with a tow string, but I haven't. Select your flies with great care. Sport. probably: "Oh. look who's here!"